

Amendment No. 3 to HB1654

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Signature of Sponsor

**AMEND Senate Bill No. 1668\***

**House Bill No. 1654**

by inserting the following new section immediately preceding the penultimate section and renumbering the subsequent sections accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_.

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the exit for State Route 73 (Exit 440) on Interstate 40 in Cocke County, Tennessee, is hereby designated as the "Charles L. McGaha Memorial Interchange" in honor of Charles L. McGaha, Major, United States Army, a native of Cocke County who, as a Master Sergeant with Company G, 35th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire during the Battle of Luzon, Philippines, in order to aid wounded soldiers, led his platoon after the platoon leader was wounded, and deliberately drew Japanese fire onto himself so that others could escape to safety while wounded himself, receiving the Medal of Honor for his conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity.

(b) The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs at the exit for State Route 73 (Exit 440) on Interstate 40, both eastbound and westbound, designating the interchange described in subsection (a) as the "Charles L. McGaha Memorial Interchange".

(c) The erection of the signs must be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and within the state supplemental guidelines, as applicable.

(d) This section becomes operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of the signs is paid to the department of transportation from nonstate funds

within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. The payment must be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of the signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for the signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of the signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in the costs must be remitted to the department in nonstate funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.